

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Yoseph KOLTUNOV et al.

Group Art Unit:

Application No.: 09/530,758

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For: DETERMINATION AND RECOGNITION OF OBJECTS BY MULTISPECTRAL

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RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(A)

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Sir:

On November 30, 2000, Applicants submitted a Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a) because one of the inventors, Mr. Joseph Koltunov, has refused to sign the Declaration for this application. In support of that petition, the following additional information was submitted for consideration by the Patent Office:

- 1. A Declaration of all the inventors except Mr. Koltunov.
- 2. The Petition fee in the amount of \$130.
- 3. The Declaration of Ms. Tova Faynero, showing the facts relating to Mr. Koltunov's refusal to sign. Ms. Tova Faynero indicated that she provided Mr. Koltunov with the application papers on October 25, 2000; and Mr. Koltunov acknowledged receipt of the application papers in writing, but refused in writing on November 12 to execute the application. Mr. Koltunov's November 12 letter was attached to Ms. Faynero's Declaration.

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4. The last known address of Mr. Koltunov was stated to be: 10/20 Avivim St., Holon, Israel.

For convenience of the Patent Office, further copies of the above items 1 and 3 are attached.

However, on February 26, 2001, Applicants received a Decision on Petition (copy attached), stating that the November 30, 2000, Petition had been dismissed. The Decision stated that Applicants satisfied required (1)-(3) for grant of the Petition, but that requirement (4) was not satisfied. In particular, the Decision argued that the Declaration (item 1 above) was illegible, and that it was incomplete as including two pages numbered two.

Applicants respectfully request that the November 30, 2000, Petition be renewed, and that the original Declaration be accepted on behalf of all of the named inventors. In this respect, Applicants acknowledge that the Declaration includes facsimile copies of pages, but respectfully submit that the Declaration is not so illegible as to prevent entry of the Declaration in this application. For the convenience of the Patent Office, also attached hereto is an original, unsigned copy of the Declaration.

Furthermore, the Petition argues that the executed Declaration included two pages numbered two, and thus that one Declaration would not list the first and last named applicant, and would not identify the application. Applicants respectfully disagree. Although two pages numbered two were in fact included, those pages were not from separate Declarations.

Rather, the pages were identical page number two from the same Declaration. Two copies were used because different inventors signed different copies of the same page. Thus, both pages belong to the same Declaration, and thus the single Declaration, albeit with two pages numbered two, properly list the first and last named applicant, and properly identify the application. Thus, the original executed Declaration should be accepted as a complete, single Declaration.

Accordingly, for at least these reasons, Applicants respectfully request renewal of the November 30, 2000, Petition, request entry of the original executed Declaration, and acceptance of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a).

The Decision on Petition indicated that no additional fee is required for renewal of the Petition, thus no additional fee is enclosed. However, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is authorized to debit Deposit Account No. 15-0461 in the amount necessary to effect entry and consideration of this paper and the original Petition.

Should there by any questions regarding this matter, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures:

Decision on Petition Declaration Unsigned Copy of Declaration Declaration of Tova Faynero

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